

85th Session of the Senate of the Associated Students

Agenda for Wednesday, December 13th, 2017 at 5:30 P.M.

Rita Laden Senate Chambers, Third Floor of the Joe Crowley Student Union

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER***
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE***
3. **ROLL CALL***
4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

- a. The Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from November 15th, 2017. The Senate will discuss the minutes of November 15th, 2017 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.
- b. The Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from November 29th, 2017. The Senate will discuss the minutes of November 29th, 2017 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.
- c. The Senate will consider the approval of the minutes from December 6th, 2017. The Senate will discuss the minutes of December 6th, 2017 and may choose to amend or edit the minutes. Upon conclusion of the discussion, the Senate may choose to approve the minutes.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT***

Items heard under public comment may be for items either on or off the agenda. Action may not be taken on items raised under public comment. The Speaker may elect to take public comment on action items on this agenda. The Speaker may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak.

- a. Dr. Marc Johnson, President
- b. Dr. Shannon Ellis, Vice President of Student Services

6. **RECEIPT OF PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE TO THE SENATE AND REFERRAL**

The Senate will receive communications addressed to the Senate and, if necessary, refer each to the appropriate committee. No action will be taken on communications other than referring them to committee unless placed on the fast-track agenda.

There are no petitions to be read at this time.

7. **REPORTS OF ASUN OFFICERS**

The Speaker shall recognize any senior officer of the Association, including the Secretary, to offer a report on his or her official activities since the previous meeting and make any summary announcements he or she deems necessary for no longer than five minutes.

- a. President of the Associated Students, Noah Teixeira

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- b. Vice President of the Associated Students, Sebastian Atienza
- c. Chief Justice, Samuel Bruketta
- d. Chief of Staff, Carissa Bradley
- e. Director of Clubs and Organizations, Jared Desamaro
- f. Director of Event Programming, Mia Kinel
- g. Director of Blue Crew, Cole Nason
- h. Director of Legislative Affairs, Spencer Shultz
- i. Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Precious Gbenjo
- j. Director of Sustainability, Brita Romans
- k. Director of Campus and Public Relations, Brandon Walberg
- l. Director of Campus Wellness, Dahlia Henderson
- m. Attorney General, Cameron Harris
- n. Elections Chair, Courtney Kinsella
- o. Speaker of the Senate, Hannah Jackson

8. REPORT OF THE SENATE COMMITTEES*

The Speaker shall recognize the chairperson of each standing committee, in alphabetical order, and then each special committee, in alphabetical order, to report for no longer than five minutes on the committee's activities since the previous meeting

- a. Chair, Committee on Academics – Senator Cammie Lee
- b. Chair, Committee on Budget and Finance – Senator Justin Kuykendall
- c. Chair, Committee on Civic Engagement – Senator Nicole Flangas
- d. Chair, Committee on Government Operations – Senator Austin Thummel
- e. Chair, Committee on Public Affairs – Senator Ryan Becker
- f. Chair, Committee on University Affairs – Senator Derek Bussman
- g. Speaker Pro-Tempore – Senator Anthony Martinez
- h. Chair, Committee on Oversight – Speaker Hannah Jackson

9. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

The Speaker shall recognize in turn senators requesting the floor for a period not to exceed two minutes. The total time for Comments and Announcements before the first reading of legislation shall not exceed fifteen minutes.

10. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK APPOINTMENTS

The motion to fast track a resolution or appointment confirmation shall be in order if recommended by the committee of relevant jurisdiction.

There are no appointments to be fast-tracked at this time.

11. APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENTS OF SENATORS AND ASUN OFFICIALS

The Senate will consider the following nominations for Association office. When the Senate has concluded its deliberations, the Senate may approve the nomination, reject the nomination, or take no action upon the nomination.

There are no appointments to be approved at this time.

12. VETO MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Senate may reconsider acts vetoed by the ASUN President if they are returned by the President with his objections.

There are no veto messages at this time.

13. CONSENT AGENDA

The Speaker shall sequentially proceed through such acts of legislation that have been previously been placed on the consent agenda. Such acts shall be considered adopted by consent, unless a single senator rises in objection thereto. All acts so objected are immediately placed on the end of the agenda for second reading.

There was no legislation filed for the Consent Agenda.

14. FIRST READING OF LEGISLATION

The following bills and resolutions will receive their first reading and may be considered under item 16 of this agenda:

- a. S.B.R. 85 – A Binding Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Senate Rules I.a and II.f.5.ix
- b. S.B.R. 85 – A Binding Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Senate Rules II.f.4.1 and II.g.1

There is no legislation up for first reading at this time.

15. MOTIONS TO FAST-TRACK LEGISLATION

A senator may move that legislation under item 16 of this agenda be considered at this meeting. Such a motion shall only be in order provided that a one-day notice has been given to the speaker. The motion shall be decided without debate, and shall require the consent of a two-thirds majority of the senate.

- c. S.B.R. 85 – A Binding Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Senate Rules I.a and II.f.5.ix
- d. S.B.R. 85 – A Binding Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Senate Rules II.f.4.1 and II.g.1

For further detail on each of the listed action items please see the support documents posted with this agenda. All action items may consist of legislation and supporting material for each respective action item.

16. REFERRALS TO COMMITTEE

The Speaker shall refer all legislation read the first time and not fast tracked to committee.

There is no legislation to be considered for referral at this time.

17. SECOND READING OF LEGISLATION

The following bills and resolutions will receive their second reading and may be considered:

- a. S.B.R. 85 – A Binding Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Senate Rules I.a and II.f.5.ix
- b. S.B.R. 85 – A Binding Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Senate Rules II.f.4.1 and II.g.1
- c. S.R. 85 – A Resolution in Support of 1874 Community Care

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18. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

a. Senate Committee Changes

Senators may change committee assignments through binding resolution.

b. Senator Reports

The Senate will share progress they have made in ASUN-related activities that they have been working on.

19. COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS*

The Speaker shall recognize in turn Senators requesting the floor for a period not to exceed two minutes.

20. PUBLIC COMMENT*

The Speaker may elect to take public comment on items on or off this agenda. The Speaker may impose reasonable limits on the length members of the public may speak.

21. ADJOURNMENT

Notes:

Unless otherwise marked by an asterisk, all agenda items are action items upon which the Senate may take action.

Action items may be taken out of the order to be presented at the discretion of the Chair.

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S. Binding Res. 85-

A Binding Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Senate Rules I.a and II.f.5.ix

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

DECEMBER 7TH, 2017

SUBMITTED BY SPEAKER JACKSON TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

A Binding Resolution

A Binding Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Senate Rules I.a and II.f.5.ix

1 *Whereas*, Senate Rule I.a states: “The Speaker shall call meetings of the senate as he, she, or they
2 deem appropriate, provided that the Senate shall meet at least once every two full class weeks, and
3 that the regular meeting date and time of the Senate shall be on Wednesdays no earlier than 5:30
4 p.m., unless the Senate orders otherwise. The Speaker shall call no less than two meetings of the
5 Student Senate at least one week apart during the spring semester of his, her, or their election.”

6 *Whereas*, Senate Rule II.f.5.ix states: “Failure of the Chairperson of a committee, including the
7 Committee on Oversight, to hold a meeting within the required two-week period shall be the
8 equivalent of two points.”

9 *Be it resolved that*, these rules shall be suspended effective immediately through the date January
10 22nd, 2017.

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S. Binding Res. 85-

A Binding Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Senate Rules II.f.4.1 and II.g.1

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

DECEMBER 7TH, 2017

SUBMITTED BY SPEAKER JACKSON TO THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

A Binding Resolution

A Binding Resolution to Temporarily Suspend Senate Rules II.f.4.1 and II.g.1

1 *Whereas*, Senate Rule I.f.4.1 states: “Six unexcused absent Senate office hours shall be equivalent
2 to two points. (1/3 point for every missed hour)”

3 *Whereas*, Senate Rule II.g.i states: “Each Senator must hold at least two office hours per week.
4 Office hours shall be held during regular operating hours of the ASUN Center for Student
5 Engagement while Senate is in session, in the Senate workroom or other on-campus locations with
6 approval from the Speaker. Of the two required hours one must take place at the Senate table at a
7 location approved by the Speaker. The other is up to the discretion of each senator with approval
8 from the Speaker.”

9 *Be it resolved that*, these rules shall be suspended effective immediately through the date January
10 22nd, 2017.

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S. RES. 85-

A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF 1874 COMMUNITY CARE

IN THE SENATE OF THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS

OCTOBER, 29, 2017

SUBMITTED BY SENATOR BILLMAN TO THE COMMITTEE ON CIVIC ENGAGEMENT ON BEHALF OF
LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

A Resolution

A Resolution in Support of 1874 Community Care

1 *Whereas*, the University of Nevada is dedicated towards improving community relationships
2 which contribute to the growth of a univer-city since its founding in 1874;

3 *Whereas*, it is essential to acknowledge the pertinence of a healthy local environment and the
4 mutualistic symbiosis shared between the university students and staff, community, and environment;

5 *Whereas*, all Nevada Systems of Higher Education (NSHE) institutions stand for sustainable
6 practices and a continued pledge towards environmental stewardship;

7 *Whereas*, according to section 1.2.1 of NSHE code, the primary missions of the University of
8 Nevada are teaching, research, and community service;

9 *Whereas*, April 22nd is universally recognized as Earth Day, and subsequently, the month of April
10 as Earth Month;

1 *Whereas*, local nonprofit organizations such as Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful and League to
2 Save Lake Tahoe hold annual clean-up days during Earth month;

3 *Whereas*, the commitment of higher institutions in Nevada to service would have a great impact
4 on families, communities, and future generations throughout Nevada;

5 *Be it resolved that*, the third Saturday of the month of April be designated as 1874 Community
6 Care Day in acknowledgement and support of the university's "No Walls 2025" pledge to create the
7 best learning environment, campus-to-community cohesion, and highest quality university experience
8 possible;

9 *Be it further resolved that*, on this day it will be the University's Goal to log 1874 student
10 community service hours with Give pulse through working with local nonprofits.

11 *Be it further resolved that*, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the President of the University of
12 Nevada, Reno Marc Johnson.